

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION PAPER

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1. ★ Indicates an oral question.

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PRESIDENT

★13. The Leader of the Opposition (DA) to ask the President of the Republic:

With reference to his recent assertion that the ongoing electricity blackouts, which are being implemented more frequently and at more severe stages by Eskom, do not constitute a looming crisis, and in light of the challenges that these rolling blackouts present to learners studying for examinations and vulnerable businesses trying to remain operational after almost two years of economic lockdowns due to the COVID-19 pandemic, what are the relevant details of (a) the Government's urgent plans to reform Eskom and the Republic's energy market to address the electricity crisis and (b) any further emergency measures the Government will undertake to augment the Republic's electricity supply in order to shield the economy and citizens from the Government's failure to generate sufficient electricity? NO2723E

★14. Mr J S Malema (EFF) to ask the President of the Republic:

What are the (a) terms and conditions of the R131 billion loan by the partnership of the European Union, Germany, France, the United Kingdom and the United States for the Republic's transition from coal to clean energy that was announced by the President of the United States of America at the Climate Change Conference of the Parties 26 and (b) repayment terms of loans that will be secured from the amount that was pledged? NO2810E

★15. Mr S S Somyo (ANC) to ask the President of the Republic:

Given that the 2021 Local Government Elections produced a scenario where we are confronted as a nation with 70 hung municipal councils, and noting that the history of our democratic local government, with a few notable exceptions, suggests that hung municipal councils tend to produce instability and become a significant threat to service delivery and compromise management of local government responsibilities, how can the Government create a predictable political and administrative interface and environment for communities under such councils to ensure that they enjoy stability, service delivery and regulatory accountability?

NO2724E

★16. Mr M P Galo (AIC) to ask the President of the Republic:

In light of the United States of America, the United Kingdom, France, Germany and the European Union committing a total amount of R131 billion to boost the Republic's renewable energy stream, and in view of the fact that he set up the Inter-Ministerial Committee on Energy and assesses the performance of energy line-function portfolios, how does he intend to realign the outdated Integrated Resource Plan 2010-2030 policy, which still places coal at 46% of the Republic's energy security by 2030, in comparison to nuclear that is placed at 13% and wind at 11% of the Republic's energy security by 2030?

NO2722E

★17. Ms V T Malinga (ANC) to ask the President of the Republic:

With reference to the agreement that he recently announced as confirmed at the meeting of the Climate Change Conference of the Parties 26 that the Republic will receive R131 billion in grants and loans from four countries to fund its transition from coal and to assist Eskom in speeding up its new energy generation projects, (a) how will the agreement help Eskom deal with its current challenges and (b) what measures will be put in place to ensure that the transition is just to the workers and communities who depend on the coal-fired power stations for their livelihoods?

NO2725E

★18. Mr T M Mmutle (ANC) to ask the President of the Republic:

(a) How far is the Presidential Task Team on Military Veterans in addressing the issues raised by the military veterans who took an unprecedented approach to highlight the challenges they are facing by holding members of the Executive hostage in Irene, Pretoria on 14 October 2021 and (b) what steps have been taken to respond to some of the immediate challenges raised by the military veterans?

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